Puffing at all, winnowss the light away,
And what hath maſſe or matter by it ſelfe,
Lyes rich in vertue and vnmingled.
*Neſtor.* With due obſeruance of the godlike ſeate,
Great *Agamemnon*, *Neſtor* ſhall apply
Thy lateſt words. In the reproofe of chance,
Lies the true proofe of men: the ſea being ſmooth,
How many ſhallow bauble boates dare ſaile,
Vpon her ancient breſt, making their way
With thoſe of nobler bulke?
But let the ruffian *Boreas* once enrage
The gentle *Thetis*, and anon, behold
The ſtrong ribbd barke through liquid mountaines cut,
Bounding betweene the two moyſt elements,
Like *Perſeus* horſe. Where's then the ſawcie boate,
Whoſe weake vntymberd ſides but euen now
Corriuald greatneſſe, either to harbor fled,
Or made a toſte for *Neptune*: euen ſo
Doth valours ſhew, and valours worth deuide
In ſtormes of fortune; for in her ray and brightneſſe
The heard hath more annoyance by the Bryze
Then by the Tyger, but when the ſplitting winde,
Makes flexible the knees of knotted Okes,
And Flies fled vnder ſhade, why then the thing of courage,
As rouzd with rage, with rage doth ſimpathize,
And with an accent tun'd in ſelfe ſame key,
Retires to chiding fortune.
*Vliſſ. Agamemnon,*
Thou great Commander, nerues and bone of Greece,
Heart of our numbers, ſoule and onely ſpright,
In whom the tempers and the minds of all
Should be ſhut vp: heere what *Vliſſes* ſpeakes,
Beſides th'applauſe and approbation,
The which moſt mighty (for thy place and ſway
And thou moſt reuerend) for the ſtretcht out life,
I giue to both your ſpeeches; which were ſuch
As *Agamemnon* and the hand of Greece,
Should hold vp high in braſſe, and ſuch againe



As venerable *Neſtor* (hatcht in ſi
Should with a bond of ayre ſtron
(On which heauen rides) knit al
To his experienc't tongue, yet let
Thou great and wiſe, to heare *V*
Troy yet vpon his baſes had bee
And the great *Hectors* ſword had
But for theſe inſtances.
The ſpecialtie of rule hath beene
And looke how many Grecian t
Hollow vpon this plaine, ſo man
When that the generall is not li
To whom the forragers ſhall all
What honey is expected? Degre
Th'vnworthieſt ſhewes as fairly
The heauens themſelues, the pla
Obſerue degree, prioritie and p
In ſiſture, courſe, proportion, ſeaſ
Office and cuſtome, in all line of
And therefore is the glorious pla
In noble eminence enthron'd and
Amidſt the other; whoſe medcin
Corrects the influence of euill Pl
And poſts like the Commandme
Sans check to good and bad. But
In euill mixture to diſorder wan
What plagues, and what portent
What raging of the ſea, ſhaking
Commotion in the winds, fright
Diuert and crack, rend and dera
The vnitie and married calme of
Quite from their fixure: O when
Which is the ladder of all high d
The enterpriſe is ſick. How coul
Degrees in ſchooles, and brother
Peacefull commerce from deuida
The primogenitie and due of bir
Prerogatiue of age, crownes, ſcep